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Title: GUM MASSAGING ORAL BRUSH

The prior application is assigned of record to Gillette Canada Company, a Canadian corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on December 26, 2001 at 012436/0271.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

|               | <u>Pages</u> |
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### Enclosures:

- Preliminary amendment, 10 pages.
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This application is a continuation (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. application serial no. 10/036,022, filed December 26, 2001, which is a divisional U.S. application serial no. 0 09/660,151, filed September 13, 2000, which is a continuation of U.S. application serial no. 09/351,588, filed July 12, 1999, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,151,745, which is a continuation of U.S. application serial no. 08/730,286, filed November 30, 1996, now U.S. Pat. No. 5,987,688, which is a continuation of 08/554,931, filed November 9, 1995, abandoned. The disclosure of the prior application is considered part of (and is incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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